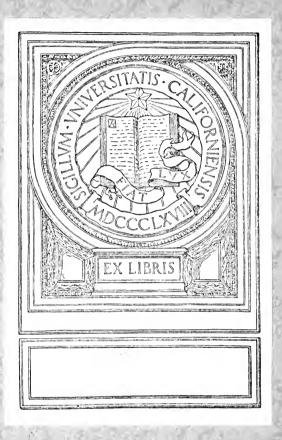
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My suggestions are particularly for those teachers of the German language who are neither foreign-born nor Americans of German parentage; for those teachers who are away from the greater centers of culture, away from the ready help that large colleges and libraries offer; for those teachers who are confronted, single-handed and alone, with the puzzling problem, "How shall I teach my students German conversation?"

Now it has been my very good fortune to meet and know hundreds of such teachers. During the eight years in which I was editorial adviser in modern foreign languages for Ginn and Company, much of my correspondence was with teachers in the smaller towns and cities of America. During the fifteen summers in which I have uninterruptedly taught in The University of Chicago, I have come into direct personal touch with such teachers. And we have sat many a sultry afternoon in the inadequate shade of a scrub-oak on the Chicago campus, talking, talking, talking of the smaller but none the less vexing problems which confront the man and the woman who in an unsympathetic environment are honestly endeavoring to further the cause of German in this country.

So it comes that I wish to offer such helpful suggestions as I may regarding conversational German, for I feel sure

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that the audience I want to reach will welcome them. I shall try to be simple and practical—to keep constantly in mind the real needs of real teachers, and to make use of the doctrine of derived interest and the theory of play.

The question is, "How shall we teach students conversational German?" The answer, "By getting them to speak in German about a subject in which they are really interested."

Let us conjure up before us a scene which is recurring day after day: A first-year class in high school is reading in some popular German reader of the death of Balder. The teacher is tempted to begin the lesson by asking for the rules for dependent word-order, or by propounding machine-made Fragen based upon the text: Erzählen Sie Balders Traum! Was jagte Wotan zu dem Traum? Warum erjährafen die Götter? etc.

Now it happens that the students — it is springtime — are slightly tired of Balder. And it also happens that on a previous day the students of this high school have wrested an unexpected victory in baseball from their dearest rivals.

A pardonable guile will lead the teacher to begin the German hour by saying, "Let's talk about *the* game!"

Herr A, haben Sie das Spiel gestern gesehen? Fräulein B, war es ein aufregendes Spiel?

War es interessant, Herr C?

Wo steckt denn Ihre Stimme, Fräulein D?

Herr E, Sie sind recht müde vom Fangen, nicht wahr?

Sagen Sie mir, Fräulein F, warum haben Sie gestern nachmittag Ihr Deutsch nicht studiert?

Or, if an interscholastic debate has taken place, the teacher may well ask:

Haben Sie die Debatte gehört, Herr 19?

Fräulein H, haben die Redner gut gesprochen?

Wie hießen unsere Redner, Herr 3?

Wie hießen die Gegner, Fräulein R?

A few minutes for conversation of this sort at the beginning of the hour, or whenever interest flags, will brighten the whole recitation period. Students with the most meager linguistic taste will come to like German better the moment they discover that they can convey in it ideas in which they are personally interested. Asking questions about stories which have been once read is often almost like pulling teeth; students seldom like it, but they enjoy talking of things connected in a vital way with their everyday experience.

Teachers would undoubtedly welcome a conversation-manual which offered model lists of questions and answers that would apply to all the various school activities—football, baseball, track-meets, basket-ball, debates, spelling-bees, anniversary celebrations, the appearance of the annual school-paper, etc. A cleverly constructed manual might also include the simpler summer and winter sports, such as boating, fishing, hunting, skating, sleighing, snowball contests. Whatever else stirs the town for a moment would also be fit material for a manual of German conversation—circus, theater, election of town officers, the burning of a public building, the failure of a bank.

And yet such a conversation-manual would be as apt to do harm as it would to benefit. For the very idea of live and interesting conversation is that it proceed not along lines laid down by others, but that it answer to the thought which we are trying to express at any given moment. Thus one might study all the conversation-manuals from the "foreign phrase-books" of fifty years ago down to Laurence Fossler's charming "Practical German Conversation," and yet never quite know how to say anything one wished to say; for such books are ever teaching you what you may want to say, what you should want to say, what the "average person" does want to say, but what, as a matter of fact, you can travel Germany thrice over without ever once getting a chance to say. And whenever you wish to remark, "I don't care for any more bread, thank you!" there on the tablet of your mind, big as life and plain as fire, is written the phrase from the "phrase-book," "Please pass me the bread."

Another way of avoiding the dulling effect of mechanical answers by the student to mechanical questions by the teacher is to have the students ask questions of one another. Each member of the class is asked to prepare five or six questions on the text the class is reading. A student is then selected to ask the first question, Fräusein A, wolsen Sie bitte eine Frage stellen? The question, once uttered by Miss A, is criticized by the class. The teacher asks them: If Fräusein A's Frage richtig? or Barum ist diese Frage versehrt? or Rönnen Sie die Frage verbessern? When the class decides the question is in proper form, Miss A chooses the one who must answer it, the teacher asking her, Ber soll die Frage beantworten?

The answer is also criticized by the class. Then the student who has had to answer the first question has the privilege of asking one. The teacher urges him to make his question difficult: Revanchieren Sie sich, Herr B. Machen Sie's dem Fräulein recht schwer! And so on, as long as time permits.

A valuable *composition* exercise can be made of such questions by having the students go to the board, write their own questions, and criticize those of others.

To vary pleasantly the above exercise, select one student, who has been previously notified, to take the teacher's place and ask questions of the class. Students, at first backward to assume this responsibility, soon delight in the opportunity their brief authority affords them to tease and tantalize their friends. Hilarity—first a breeze of it, then a gale of it—is the sure result of this method of questioning. But why not? More German is learned amid laughter than amid tears. And students like to forget their worries and learn that German is not necessarily

. . . a monster of so frightful mien, as to be hated needs but to be seen.

Another variation is to have the students ask whatever questions they will of the teacher. The teacher should pretend to misunderstand any question which is not framed correctly or which is capable of a double interpretation. This leads the student to a clarity and an exactitude which he otherwise would not strive for.

Now I have ever found that classes know more German than they think they do, and there is nothing more

encouraging for a class than to make this discovery. But it is hard to get a group of individuals to talk at first about matters of their daily enthusiasm, especially before some practical drill in word-order and sentence-organization has been given them. To bridge over the gap between the first stage of conversation work (consisting simply of question and answer) and the last stage (free-hand dialogue on matters of mutual interest), I believe there is nothing more helpful than the playing in class of conversational games of any and every suitable kind.

The teacher must be careful that such games are not misfits. For the high school he must not suggest games which are better fitted for the lower grades: a high-school student no more cares to play a German game which he considers silly than he does an English one. Again, a game which may be played successfully in private school or college can hardly be attempted in the large classes of a high school. The teacher must use his own judgment, both in regard to the games which I suggest below and to any other games he may discover or invent, as to which best suits his particular purpose.

The Founding of a German Club

To supplement the classroom work and create interest in German, the teacher should organize a German club, to meet once a week throughout term-time, or at least as often as possible. The teacher should not despair of doing this successfully, even if the enthusiasm for German in the school seem to be at a low ebb, for the founding of

a German club will revive the flagging interest. If for some reason, however, the establishment of such a club should prove really impossible, it will at least be feasible to plan for occasional German socials.

If possible, a room should be secured for the sole use of the club. This would permit suggestive decoration of the walls of the room with Realien — symbols of one sort and another which suggest and interpret modern cultural life in Germany. Wall-maps, photographic views, busts, flags — nothing can be too poor or too simple to press into service in the way of such mural decoration, if the object really reminds of some German fact, or scene, or hero.

To prepare for the first meeting of the club, everything should be done to show students the value they will derive from attending it. As many of the townspeople as possible should be interested in it and given something to do to help make the meeting a success. To insure a good attendance at the first session, the assignment for the following day's German might be shortened for those of the class who attend.

It may or may not be desirable for students to learn in class, in preparation for the first meeting of the German Club, a few of the more important parliamentary expressions. But it is most advisable for the students to practice some game that is going to be used in the club. It is a good plan to divide the club into groups of not more than six or seven, each group having for leader an advanced student, an assistant teacher, or some German friend of the school. A committee-meeting of these group-leaders

should take place before each gathering of the club, to plan the following program.

The first half hour might be devoted to games in these smaller groups, and the second half hour to an open meeting for business, chorus singing, and a short original program. This last may be the rendition of a German song or two by a good singer, the relating of experiences in Germany by a traveler, or a talk on current events in Germany by some one of the teachers. To encourage beginners, let one student give a brief English report on some phase of German life in which classes naturally would be interested, such as "Athletics in German Schools," "Famous Rhine Legends," "Student Celebrations at a German University," etc. The current magazines are a fruitful field for research along these lines.

For variety, five minutes of the open-meeting time might be spent with some game in which all groups participate. The teacher, for instance, can write on the board the name Sohann Wolfgang von Goethe (or Gotthold Cphraim Leffing or Sohann Christoph Friedrich von Schiller) and announce a contest, to see who can write the longest list of German words from the letters of the name.

A Trial Program or Two

7.00-7.30 Classes in conversation — Group games

Gruppe 1, 2, 3, 4 (Anfänger) Kofferpacken

Gruppe 5, 6, 7 (Schüler im zweiten Jahre) Pflanzenquartetfipiel

Gruppe 8 und 9 (Die vorgeschrittensten Schüler) Summ!

7.30–8.00 Open meeting. The chairman of the program committee is responsible for the success of this part

Bereinsgesang: Das Lied ber Deutschen Deklamation: Goethes Der Erlkönig

Aleiner Bortrag über eine Sommerreise durch Deutschland

Solo

Debatte

Englischer Bericht

Bereinsgesang: Die Lorelei

Geschäftsversammlung

Erfrischungen

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7.00-7.30 Gruppenspiele

Gruppe 1, 2, 3, 4 (Anfänger) Uhrspiel

Gruppe 5, 6, 7 (Schüler im zweiten Jahre) Tierquartettspiel Gruppe 8 und 9 (Die vorgeschrittensten Schüler) Was bringt die Zeitung — a discussion of various topics culled from a German newspaper

7.30-8.00 Open meeting

Bereinsgesang: Das zerbrochene Ringlein

Deflamation: Lilienfrons Die Musit fommt

Rleiner Vortrag über deutsche Studentensitten

Duett

Dialog

Englischer Bericht

Bereinsgefang: Am Brunnen vor bem Tore

Geschäftsversammlung

Erfrischungen

The most important part of the program is furnished by the refreshments. A fixed charge of twenty-five to fifty cents on each member of the club will ordinarily pay for the simple refreshments desired, and nothing else tends to make a meeting so informal, gives so many a chance to help, and offers material for so much simple and natural German conversation as does the passing of refreshments. Darf ich Ihnen etwas Ruchen anbieten? Danke schön, ich bin ja schon versorgt. Noch ein wenig Zucker gefällig? Wollen Sie so gut sein und mir einen Löffel holen? etc.

The declamation by students of German poems¹ is most desirable. This exercise, as often undertaken in class, rarely yields the best results, because of the formal, stilted nature of the occasion. But a student allowed to select his own favorite and spurred on by the opportunity of such an audience as a German club affords always does his best.

The debate or dialogue is intended to be either dramatic or humorous in character. The teacher will find a large amount of fairly good material for such exercises, generally very cheap, at the German bookstores in this country. Old reading-books, composition-books, books of tales and anecdotes, are often a mine for such material.

What the wise teacher will be working toward, with the organization of his German club behind him, is the production near the end of the school year of a simple German play. Although this may seem at the beginning of the club's existence to be too daring a goal to attempt, the plan once made will carry itself to a successful end.

¹ On page 23 below will be found a poem which is not generally accessible, but which lends itself excellently to declamation.

Students will work harder to get ready for a play, and will do more competitive work to get on the cast of it, than they will for any other one aim.

There follow a few games which are suggested as helpful for conversational purposes, both in classroom and in German club, and certain of the most popular German songs.

Rofferpacten

After a class has learned the strong declension of nouns, the following game might profitably be played in a review lesson, to relieve the monotony of classroom drill. It will afford practice in pronunciation and imperceptibly impress upon the learner's mind the gender of the new words.

The teacher might begin by saying:

"Wir wollen nun ein neues Spiel lernen; es heißt: Kofferspacken. Fräulein B, was wollen Sie in Ihren Koffer packen?"

Fräulein B. "Ein Gemälde."

Lehrer. "Gut; nun, Herr N, in Ihren Koffer muffen Sie basselbe und sonft noch etwas packen."

Herr N. "Ein Gemälde und einen Upfel."

Student No. 3. "Ein Gemälde, einen Apfel und einen Spaten."

Student No. 4. "Ein Gemälde, einen Apfel, einen Spaten und ein Heft."

Student No. 5. "Ein Gemälde, einen Apfel, einen Spaten, ein Heft und einen Rock."

Student No. 6. "Ein Gemälbe, einen Apfel, einen Spaten, ein Heft, einen Rock und eine Maus."

Student No. 7. "Ein Gemälde, einen Apfel, einen Spaten, ein Heft, einen Rock, eine Maus und einen Wurm." Etc.

If a student forgets the next word in order, he should lose his turn.

After the adjectives have been mastered the game can be made more profitable as well as more entertaining by prefixing adjectives to each noun, and alternately using the definite article, the indefinite article, and numerals with or without articles; for instance, Eine fette Gans, zwei schwarze Mäuse, einen krummen Stock, den uralten Räfig, die interessanten Bücher und zehn blanke Nadeln.

Still more variety can be secured by using the demonstrative and possessive adjectives with the nouns.

Das Uhrspiel

When students are beginning to learn to tell time the following game helps them gain fluency and accuracy in understanding and expressing certain German idioms. The game may be played in two ways. By the first method some member of the class is asked to put on the board any expression of time; as, for instance, 8.30 A.M., 2.15 P.M., 12 (midnight), 6.30 A.M. The teacher should turn away and not see what the student has written. After every member of the class has seen the expression on the board, it should be erased.

Then the teacher begins to ask questions, to find out what time of day or night the students have in mind. Suppose that the time was 6.17 A.M. The teacher asks questions and receives answers somewhat as follows:

"Ift es nach dem Mittagsessen?" "Nein."
"Nun dann, ist es vor dem Frühstück?" "Ja."
"Ist es bald nach Mitternacht?" "Nein."
"Ist es sehr lange vorm Frühstück?" "Nicht sehr."
"Ist es dann vor sechs Uhr?" "Nein."
"Später als halb sieben?" "Nein."
("Also zwischen sechs und halb sieben.")
"Ist es ein Viertel nach sechs, oder ein Viertel auf sieben?"
"Nein."

"Später als diese Zeit?" "Sa." ("Also zwischen 6.15 und 6.30.")

"Ift es zwanzig Minuten nach jechs?" "Nein."

"Später als 6.20 ?" "Nein."

("Alljo zwischen 6.15 und 6.20.")

"Ift es vielleicht sechs Uhr achtzehn?" "Nein."

"Sechs Uhr neunzehn?" "Mein."

"Nun dann, doch sicher sechs Uhr sechzehn?" "Nein."

"Dann muß es sechs Uhr siebzehn sein." "Ja!"

In this first method students are comparatively passive; they are growing accustomed to hearing the time-idioms. After the game has been played in this way several times the second method may be tried. According to this method there is a contest between the two sides of the class, and it often pleases students to have a score-keeper appointed to see which side is the most successful for a week. First the teacher should select a time of day or night and have the class try to find out what time he is thinking of. He should call for volunteers to state questions, and then have pupils, first on the right and then on the left side of the class, take their turn asking these questions.

Sprichwörter

- Biele Hände machen bald ein Ende. Many hands make light work.
- Morgenstunde hat Gold im Munde. The early bird catches the first worm.
- Es ist nicht alles Gold, was glänzt. All that glitters is not gold.
- Der Mensch benkt, Gott senkt. Man proposes, God disposes. Keine Rose ohne Dorn. No rose without a thorn.
- Aus den Augen, aus dem Sinn. Out of sight, out of mind. Aus dem Regen in die Trause. Out of the frying-pan into the fire.
- Man muß das Eisen schmieden, wenn es warm ist. Strike while the iron is hot.
- Aller Anfang ift schwer. It's the first step that counts.
- Eile mit Beile. Make haste slowly.
- Wo Tauben find, fliegen Tauben zu. Nothing succeeds like success.
- Reden ist Silber, Schweigen ist Gold. Speech is silver, silence is gold.
- Hunger ist der beste Roch. Hunger is the best sauce.
- Übung macht den Meister. Practice makes perfect.
- Neue Besen fehren gut. A new broom sweeps clean.
- Gleich und gleich gesellt sich gern. Birds of a feather flock together.
- Not ist die Mutter der Erfindung. Necessity is the mother of invention.
- Frisch gewagt, ist halb gewonnen. Boldly begun is half won. Ehrlich währt am längsten. Honesty is the best policy.

Willensfrast Wege schafft. Where there's a will, there's a way. Wer zulest lacht, lacht am besten. He laughs best who laughs last.

Hochmut kommt vor dem Fall. Pride comes before a fall. Biele Köche verderben den Brei. Many cooks spoil the broth. Rast' ich, rost' ich. It is better to wear out than to rust out. Gedanken sind zollsrei. Thoughts are free.

Eine Schwalbe macht noch feinen Sommer. One swallow does not make a summer.

Proverb Game

Each proverb of the preceding list should be cut in two and the parts written on separate blank playing cards. For instance:

Es ist nicht alles

Gold was glänzt

The players sit in a ring. After all cards are shuffled and dealt, each person in turn draws a card from his right-hand neighbor. Whoever finds two cards containing the parts of the same proverb has a set and lays it aside. The one finding the most sets wins the game. This furnishes an incentive to memorize the proverbs.

Summ

A German way of playing the old-fashioned English game of "Buzz." This should be one of the first games to play, as it is very easy and gives students confidence in pronouncing the foreign words; it also teaches them the numerals in a way not to be easily forgotten.

Players sit in a circle and count in turn from 1 to 100. The one whose turn it is to say a number containing the figure seven (7, 17, 27, or 37, etc.), or the quantity seven (7, 14, 21, 28, 35, etc.), must say instead "Summ." Whoever makes a mistake must suffer one of the following penalties: sit on the piano stool till the next mistake is made; pay a forfeit, to be redeemed later by singing a German song; or introduce his right-hand neighbor to the leader of the game, using the German form of introduction: "Fräulein I, ich stelle Ihnen Herrn B vor-Justellen." Reply: "Es freut mich, Sie fennen zu sernen." Or, "Sehr angenehm, Ihre Befanntschaft zu machen," and so forth.

Land=, Luft= und Wasserspiel1

Land
Slefant'— Tiger—Leopard'— Pferd—Kuh—Kalb—Ochš
— Gfel — Hund — Katse — Ziege — Maus — Uffe — Wolf —
Natte — Zebra — Giraf'fe — Löwe — Panther — Viber —
Maultier — Fuchs — Luchs — Bär — Sa'guar.

Luft

Abler — Kondor — Falfe — Eule — Kuckuck — Specht — Ka'fadu — Weise — Rabe — Finke — Ibis — Kolibri — Drossel — Star — Schwalbe — Taube — Huhn — Elster — Lerche — Krähe — Rachtigall — Kana'rienvogel — Storch — Goldammer — Libelle.

¹ The meanings of all words in this and the following games are given in the vocabulary at the end of this pamphlet.

Wasser

Walfisch — Seehund — Krofodil' — Schildfröte — Hummer — Schwan — Ente — Gans — Pelikan' — Frosch — Krebs — Maifisch — Haifisch — Schellfisch — Fischotter — Salm - Secht - Butte - Bering - Mal - Rarpfen - Sarbel'le -Bachforelle — Rabeljan — Auster.

How to play Land, Luft, Wasser

This game is played like "Beast, Bird, and Fish." One person stands in the center of a ring of players, points to a player, and says one of the three words, Land or Luft or Basser. Then he counts as rapidly as may be, eins, zivei, brei, vier, fünf, sechs, sieben, acht, neun, zehn. Before zehn is uttered the player designated must name (with the proper form of the definite article prefixed) a creature of the land, air, or water, depending on which is called for.

If 3chn is uttered before the player responds properly, he in turn must be "it"; that is, he must exchange places with the one in the center of the ring. Unless students have already had drill on the names of beasts, birds, and fishes, it will be advisable to give each one a list of them the first time the game is played.

How to play Tierquartett, Bogelquartett, and Pflanzenquartett

Each game consists of twelve sets, or books, of four cards each. The teacher must procure library cards which are as stout as possible, and for each game make his own

deck of forty-eight cards. Each of the twelve sets must be copied four times; for example:

III. Wiederkäuer	III. Wiederfäuer	III. Wiederkäuer	III. Wiederkäuer
der Ebenen	der Ebenen	der Ebenen	der Ebenen
Der Ochs	Der Wisent	Das Kamel	Die Giraffe
Der Wisent	Der Ochs	Der Ochs	Der Ochs
Das Ramel	Das Kamel	Der Wisent	Der Wisent
Die Giraffe	Die Giraffe	Die Giraffe	Das Kamel

Remember that the *name* of each card is at the top (below the group-heading) in large letters, and by this name only can the card be asked for. The names in smaller letters serve only to show what cards form that set or book.

Shuffle and deal. The person to the left of the dealer calls for any card he may need to complete a set of which he already holds one. He continues to call for cards until he misses. Then the next player on his left calls in like manner until he misses; and so on, until all the cards have been called for and formed into sets or books. The player having most books wins the game.

As the purpose of these games is to encourage German conversation, any one who asks a question in English forfeits a card. Any one who calls for a card which he already holds in his own hand forfeits the card to the one of whom he asks it.

Expressions useful in playing these games are: "Fräulein B, bitte, geben Sie mir den Tiger." "Es tut mir leid, aber ich fann ihn Ihnen nicht geben." "Herr N, wollen Sie mir gefälligst das Renntier reichen?" "Ich bedaure unendlich; erstens habe ich kein Renntier; zweitens könnte ich ein so schweres Tier nicht gut reichen." "Fräulein X, seien Sie so

gut und geben Sie mir den Wolf." "Mit dem größten Versgnügen." "Herr B, wollen Sie mir den Spinnenaffen geben?" "Jawohl, Herr C, sehr gerne." "Oh, ich habe ein Quartett!" "Sie sind ein Glücksvogel und ich ein Pechvogel."

Tierquartett

I. Affenart

1. Der Schimpanse

2. Der Pavian

3. Der Magot

4. Der Spinnenaffe

II. Bieberfäuer ber Berge

1. Die Ziege

1 2. Das Schaf

√ 3. Die Gemfe

4. Der Saf

III. Wiederfäuer ber Chenen

1. Der Ochs

2. Der Wifent

3. Das Kamel

4. Die Giraffe

IV. Hirschart

1. Das Elentier

2. Das Renntier

3. Das Damwild

/ 4. Das Reh

V. Pferbeart

1. Der Gfel

2. Das Zebra

3. Der Tapir

4. Das Rhinozeros

VI. Waffer=Säugetiere

1. Der Walfisch

2. Das Meerschwein

3. Der Seehund

4. Das Milpferd

VII. Wieselart

1. Der Iltis

2. Der Marder

3. Das Hermelin1

4. Der Dachs

VIII. Bären= und hundeart

1. Der Wolf

2. Der Fuchs

3. Das Windspiel

/ 4. Der Eisbar

¹ Der Belg biefes Tieres heißt ber Bermelin!

A teacher who prefers to avoid the complication of this footnote may substitute der Bielfraß or der Bobel for daß hermelin.

IX. Katenart

- 1. Der Löwe
- 2. Der Tiger
- 3. Der Leopard ober Panther
- 4. Der Luchs
- X. Kleinere Nagetiere
- 1. Die Maus
- 2. Die Ratte
- 3. Das Eichhörnchen
- 4. Der Hamster

XI. Größere Nagetiere

- 1. Der Hase
- 2. Das Raninchen
- 3. Das Murmeltier
- 4. Der Biber

XII. Insettenfresser

- 1. Der Igel
- 2. Der Maulwurf
- 3. Die Spikmaus
- 4. Die Fledermaus

Vogelquartett

- I. Tag=Raubvögel
- 1. Der Abler
- 2. Der Geier
- 3. Der Kalfe
- 4. Der Weihe

- 1. Der Uhu
- 2. Das Käuzchen

II. Nacht=Raubvögel ober Eulen

- 3. Die Schleier=Gule
- 4. Die Wald=Ohreule

III. Rlettervögel

- 1. Der Papagei
- 2. Der Kakadu
- 3. Der Ruckuck
- 4. Der Specht

- IV. Singvögel
- 1. Die Nachtigall
- 2. Die Lerche
 - 3. Das Rottehlchen
 - 4. Der Distelfink

V. Tauben

- 1. Die Haustaube
- 2. Die Ringeltaube
- 3. Die Lachtaube
- 4. Die Turteltaube

VI. Sühner

- 1. Der Truthahn oder Buter
- 2. Der Pfau
- 3. Das Haushuhn
- 4. Das Rebhuhn

VII. Laufvögel

- 1. Der Strauß
- 2. Der Kasuar
- 3. Der Emu
- 4. Der Schnepfenstrauß

VIII. Sumpfvögel

- 1. Der Kranich
- 2. Der Storch
- 3. Der Reiher
- 4. Der 3bis

IX. Seevogel

- 1. Die Möwe
- 2. Der Belifan
- 3. Der Sturmvogel
- 4. Der Riebig

X. Standvögel

- 1. Der Sperling
- 2. Der Zaunkönig
- 3. Die Goldammer
- 4. Der Rabe

XI. Land=Zugvögel

- 1. Die Schwalbe
- 2. Die Amsel
- 3. Der Wiedehopf
- 4. Die Krähe

XII. Waffer=Zugvögel

- 1. Die wilde Gans
- 2. Die wilde Ente
- 3. Der Schwan
- 4. Der Flamingo

Pflanzenquartett

I. Waldblumen

- 1. Der zierliche Waldmei=
 fter
- 2. Die wilde Rose
- 3. Das blaue Immergrün
- 4. Der edle Engian

II. Feldblumen

- 1. Die schädliche Kornrade
- 2. Die friechende Acter=
- 3. Die gelbe Butterblume
- 4. Die schöne Kornblume

III. Gartenblumen

- 1. Die herrliche Lilie
- 2. Die bunte After
- 3. Das reizende Stiefmütter= chen
- 4. Die wohlriechende Melke

IV. Arzneipflanzen

- 1. Das narfotische Bitterfüß
- 2. Das isländische Moos
- 3. Die schmerzstillende Pfefferminze
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- 1. Die gemeine Tollfirsche
- 2. Der tödliche Schierling
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- 4. Der prächtige Mohn

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- 2. Das bekannte Geißblatt
- 3. Der beliebte Schneeball=
- 4. Der kleinblütige Weißborn

VII. Nutsfträucher

- 1. Der stachelige Wacholder
- 2. Der nützliche Holunder= ftrauch
- 3. Die biegsame Korbweide
- 4. Der medizinische Schlehen=
 strauch

VIII. Beerenobst

- 1. Die gewürzige Erdbeere
- 2. Die rote Himbeere
- 3. Die schwarze Johannisheere
- 4. Die saftige Stachelbeere

IX. Waldbäume

- 1. Die starke Giche
- 2. Die stattliche Buche
- 3. Die schattige Linde
- 4. Die hohe Tanne

X. Obstbäume

- 1. Der weitverbreitete Apfelsbaum
- 2. Der langlebige Birnbaum
- 3. Der fruchtbare Kirschen=
- 4. Der niedrige Aprikosen=

XI. Getreibe

- 1. Der Weizen
- 2. Der Roggen
- 3. Der Hafer
- 4. Die Gerste

XII. Gemuse

- 1. Der Spinat
- 2. Die Bohne
- 3. Die Erbse
- 4. Der Blumenkohl

Die Musik kommt

- 1. Klingling, bumbum und tschingdada, Zieht im Triumph der Perserschah? Und um die Ecke brausend bricht's Wie Tubaton des Weltgerichts, Voran der Schellenträger.
- 2. Brumbrum, das große Vombardon, Der Beckenschlag, das Helikon, Die Pikkolo, der Zinkenist, Die Türkentrommel, der Flötist, Und dann der Herre Hauptmann.
- 3. Der Hauptmann naht mit stolzem Sinn, Die Schuppenketten unterm Kinn, Die Schärpe schnürt den schlanken Leib, Beim Zeus! Das ist kein Zeitvertreib; Und dann die Herren Leutnants.
- 4. Zwei Leutnants, rosenrot und braun, Die Fahne schützen sie als Zaun, Die Fahne kommt, den Hut nimm ab, Der sind wir treu dis an das Grab!
 Und dann die Grenadiere.
- 5. Der Grenadier in strammem Tritt, In Schritt und Tritt und Tritt und Schritt, Das stampst und dröhnt und flappt und flirrt, Laternenglas und Fenster flirrt, Und dann die fleinen Mädchen.

- 6. Die Mädchen alle, Kopf an Kopf, Das Auge blau und blond der Zopf, Aus Tür und Tor und Hof und Haus Schaut Mine, Trine, Stine aus; Vorbei ist die Musike.
- 7. Klingling, tschingtsching und Paukenkrach, Noch aus der Ferne tönt es schwach, Ganz leise bumbumbumbum tsching; Zog da ein bunter Schmetterling, Tschingtsching, bum, um die Ecke?

Das zerbrochene Ringlein



1. In ei = nem füh=len Grun = be, da geht ein Müh=len=







- 2. Sie hat mir Treu' versprochen, gab mir ein Ring babei, sie hat bie Treu' gebrochen, mein Ringlein sprang entzwei.
- 3. Ich möcht' als Spielmann reifen weit in die Welt hinaus, und fingen meine Weifen, und gehn von haus zu haus.
- 4. Ich möcht' als Reiter fliegen wohl in die blut'ge Schlacht, um stille Feuer liegen im Feld bei dunkler Nacht.
- 5. Hör' ich bas Mühlrad gehen: ich weiß nicht, was ich will ich möcht' am liebsten sterben, ba wär's auf einmal still!

Jofeph von Gichenborff, 1810.

Onrelei.



1. Ich weiß nicht, was soll es be-beu-ten, daß ich so trau-rig





kommt mir nicht aus dem Sinn. Die Luft ist kühl und es



bun = felt, und ru = hig fließt ber Rhein; ber Gip-fel bes Ber = ges



- 2. Die schönste Jungfrau sitzet bort oben wunderbar, ihr goldnes Geschmeide blitzet, sie kämmt ihr goldenes Haar. Sie kämmt es mit goldenem Kamme und singt ein Lieb dabei; das hat eine wundersame, geswaltige Melodei.
- 3. Den Schiffer im kleinen Schiffe ergreift es mit wildem Weh; er schaut nicht die Felsenriffe, er schaut nur hinauf in die Höh'. Ich glaube, die Wellen verschlingen am Ende Schiffer und Kahn; und das hat mit ihrem Singen die Lorelei getan.

Beinrich Beine, 1822-1823.

Das Lied ber Deutschen







Me = mel, von der Etich bis an den Belt — Deutschland,



- 2. Deutsche Frauen, beutsche Treue, beutscher Wein und beutscher Sang sollen in der Welt behalten ihren alten schönen Mang, uns zu edler Tat begeistern unser ganzes Leben lang |: beutsche Frauen, deutsche Treue, deutscher Wein und deutscher Sang!:
- 3. Einigkeit und Recht und Freiheit für das deutstge Baterland! Das nach laßt uns alle ftreben brüderlich mit Herz und Hand! Einigkeit und Recht und Freiheit sind des Glückes Unterpsand |: Blüh' im Glanze diese Glückes, blühe, deutsches Baterland! :|

hoffmann bon Fallersleben, 1841.

Der Lindenbaum



1. Am Brun-nen vor dem To = re





fü = gen Traum. Ich schnitt





in Freud'und Lei = de ihm mich im=mer=fort. zu

- 2. Ich mußt' auch heute wandern vorbei in tiefer Nacht, da hab' ich noch im Dunkel die Augen zugemacht. Und feine Zweige rauschten, als riefen fie mir zu: Romm her zu mir, Geselle, hier findst du beine Ruh'!
- 3. Die falten Winde bliesen mir grad ins Angesicht, der hut flog mir vom Kopfe, ich wendete mich nicht. Nun bin ich manche Stunde ent= fernt von jenem Ort, und immer bor' ich's raufchen: Du fandest Rube bort!

Wilhelm Müller, 1822.

Der Wirtin Töchterlein



- 2. "Frau Wirtin, hat Sie gut Bier und Wein? |: Wo hat Sie ihr schones Töchterlein?" :|
- 3. "Mein Bier und Bein ist frisch und flar. |: Mein Töchterlein liegt auf der Totenbahr'." :
- 4. Und als fie traten zur Rammer hinein, |: ba lag fie in einem ichmarzen Schrein. :|
- 5. Der erste, der schlug den Schleier zurud |: und schaute sie an mit traurigem Blid: :|
- 6. "Ach, lebtest du noch, du schöne Maid! |: Ich würde dich lieben von dieser Zeit." :
- 7. Der zweite bedte ben Schleier zu |: und fehrte fich ab und weinte bazu: :
- 8. "Ach, daß du liegst auf der Totenbahr'! |: Ich hab' dich geliebet so manches Jahr." :
- 9. Der britte hub ihn wieder sogleich |: und füßte sie auf den Mund so bleich: :|
- 10. "Dich liebt' ich immer, dich lieb' ich noch heut |: und werde dich lieben in Ewigfeit." :| Lubwig Ubland, 1809.



1. { Muß i denn, muß i denn zum Städ = te = le 'naus, Wenn i fomm', wenn i fomm', wenn i wie = drum fomm',



Stad = te = le 'naus und du, mein Schat, bleibst hier ? \ wie = brum fomm', fehr' i ein, mein Schat, bei bir.



Kann i gleich net all = weil bei bir sein, han i



boch mein' Freud'an dir; wenn i fomm', wenn i fomm', wenn i



wiedrumfomm', wiedrumfomm', fehr'i ein, mein Schat, bei bir.

- 2. Wie du weinst, wie du weinst, daß i wandere muß, wie wenn d' Lieb' jett wär' vorbei. Sind au drauß, find au drauß der Mäbele viel, lieber Schatz, i bleib' dir treu. Denk' du net, wenn i en andere seh', no sei mein' Lieb' vorbei; sind au drauß usw.
- 3. Übers Jahr, übers Jahr, wenn me Träubele schneidt, stell' i hier mi wiedrum ein; bin i dann, bin i dann dein Schätzele noch, so soll die Hochzeit sein. Übers Jahr, da ist mein' Zeit vorbei, da g'hör' i mein und bein: bin i dann usw.

Bolfelieb.

Der Tannenbaum



1. D Tan-nen-baum, D Tan-nen-baum, wie treu find dei = ne



Blat = ter! Du grunft nicht nur jur Som-mer-zeit, nein,



auch im Win = ter, wenn es schneit. D Tan = nen=baum, D



Ian = nen = baum, wie treu find dei = ne Blat = ter!

- 2. O Mägbelein, o Mägbelein, wie falsch ift de'n Gemüte! Du schwurst mir Treu' in meinem Glück, nun arm ich bin, gehst du zurück! O Mägbe-lein, o Mägbelein, wie falsch ist bein Gemüte!
- 3. Die Nachtigall, die Nachtigall nahmst du dir zum Exempel! Sie bleibt solang der Sommer lacht, im Herbst sie sich von dannen macht: Die Nachtigall, die Nachtigall nahmst du dir zum Exempel!
- 4. Der Bach im Tal, ber Bach im Tal ist beiner Falscheit Spiegel! Er strömt allein, wenn Regen fließt, bei Dürr' er bald ben Quell versichließt: Der Bach im Tal, ber Bach im Tal ist beiner Falschheit Spiegel!

VOCABULARY

der Nal (-e) eel die Acterwinde (-n) bindweed der Adler (-) eagle ber Affe (-n) monkey, ape bie Affenart (-en) ape and monkey kind die Umfel (-n) ousel, blackbird der Apfelbaum ("e) apple-tree der Aprito'senbaum ("e) apricottree aroma'tisth adj. aromatic bie Arznei'pflanze (-n) medicinal plant die After (-n) aster die Auster (-n) oyster die Bachforelle (-n) brook trout ber Bär (-en) bear das Becrenobst berries befaunt' adj. familiar, well-known beliebt' adj. popular der Berg (-e) mountain der Biber (-) beaver biegiam adj. pliant, flexible ber Birnbaum ("e) pear-tree das Bitterfüß (-e) bitter-sweet blan adj. blue der Blumenfohl cauliflower

die Bohne (-n) bean

die Buche (-n) beech

bunt adj. gay-colored, variegated die Butte (-n) flounder die Butterblume (-n) buttercup ber Dadis (-e) badger das Damwild fallow deer ber Distelfiut (-en) goldfinch die Droffel (-n) thrush duftend adj. fragrant die Chene (-n) plain edel adj. noble die Giche (-n) oak das Eichhörnchen (-) squirrel der Gisbar (-en) polar bear der Eisenhut ("e) monkshood, aconite ber Elefant' (-en) elephant das G'lentier [second e not obscure] (-e) elk (= American moose, not American "elk") die Elster (-n) magpie ber Emu (-3) emu die Ente (-n) duck ber En'zian (-e) gentian die Erbse (-n) pea die Erdbeere (-n) strawberry ber Gjel (-) donkey die Eule (-n) owl der Falte (-n) falcon

die Feldblume (-n) field flower

ber Finke (-n) finch ber Safe (-n) hare die Fischotter (-n) otter bas Saushuhn ("er) domestic fowl ber Flamin'go [sound the a] (-3) die Saustanbe (-n) domestic flamingo pigeon bie Fledermans ("e) bat ber Secht (-e) pike heißen (te, ie) intr. the name of . . . is ber Flieder (-) lilac ber Froich ("e) frog ber Bering (-e) herring bas (beast) or ber (fur) Bermelin' fruchtbar adj. fruitful (-e) ermine, stoat ber Juchs ("e) fox herrlich adj. splendid bie Bans ("e) goose bie Gartenblume (-n) garden die Simbeere (-n) raspberry flower bie Sirichart (-en) deer kind ber Geier (-) vulture hoch (höher, am höchsten) high, tall ber Solun'derftrauch ("e or "er) bas Geißblatt ("er) honeysuckle elder gelb adj. yellow bas Suhn ("er) fowl, hen, bird of gemein' adj. common the hen type die Gemse (-n) chamois die hummer (-n) lobster bas Gemü'je (-) vegetable, vegetables ber hund (-e) dog die Gerfte barley die Sundeart (-en) dog kind der 3bis (-fe) ibis bas Getrei'de (-) grain, cereals gewür'zig adj. spicy ber 3gel (-) hedgehog die Giftpflanze (-n) poisonous ber Iltie (-fe) polecat (not skunk, plant but a dry-land mink) das Immergrün (-e) periwinkle die Giraf'fe (-n) giraffe ber Infef'tenfreffer (-) insect-eater, bie Golbammer (-n) yellowhammer insectivorous beast groß adj. (größer, am größten) is'landisch adj. Iceland-, Icelandic large ber Ja'guar (-e) jaguar ber Safer oats ber 3at (-8) yak ber Baififch (-e) shark die Johan'nisbeere (-n) currant ber Samfter (-) hamster (practiber Ra'beljan (-e or -s) codfish

ber Ra'fadu (-3) cockatoo

cally a good-sized gopher)

das Ralb ("er) calf das Ramel' (-e) camel bie Ramil'le (-n) camomile der Kana'rienvogel [sound i and e separately] (") canary bird bas Ranin'den (-) rabbit ber Rarpfen (-) carp ber Rasuar' (-e) cassowary die Rate (-n) cat die Ratenart (-en) cat kind das Ränzchen (-) little barn-owl der Riebit (-e) pewit, plover ber Ririchenbaum ("e) cherry-tree flein adj. small fleinblütig adj. small-blossomed ber Rlettervogel (") climber ber Ro'libri (-3) humming-bird ber Rou'dor (-e) condor die Rorbweide (-n) basket-willow, osier die Kornblume (-n) corn-flower, blue-bottle, bachelor's-button die Kornrade (-n) corn-cockle die Rrähe (-n) crow ber Rranich (-e) crane ber Rrebs (-e) crab friedjen (o,o) intr. creep bas Arofobil' (-e) crocodile ber Ruftuf (-e) cuckoo die Ruh ("e) cow die Lachtaube (-n) collared dove, Barbary dove bas Land ("er) land

langlebig adj. long-lived ber Laufvogel (") running bird, bird of the ostrich type ber Leopard' (-e or -en) leopard bie Lerche (-n) lark bie Libel'le (-n) dragon-fly die Lilie [sound i and e separately] (-n) lily bie Linde (-n) linden ber Löwe (-n) lion der Luchs (-e) lynx die Luft ("e) air ber Ma'got (-e) Barbary ape, Gibraltar monkey ber Maififch (-e) shad ber Marber (-) marten bas Maultier (-e) mule ber Maulwurf ("e) mole die Maus ("e) mouse medizi'nifth adj. medicinal, medical das Meerschwein (-e) porpoise die Meise (-n) titmouse, tomtit ber Mohn (-e) poppy, poppies bas Moos (-e) moss bie Möwe (-n) gull das Murmeltier (-e) marmot (European woodchuck) die Nacht ("e) night die Nachtigall (-en) nightingale bas Nagetier (-e) rodent narto'tifch adj. narcotic die Relfe (-n) pink

niedrig adj. low, lowly

bas Nilvferd (-e) hippopotamus das Rotfehlden (-) robin redbreast faftia adj. juicy nütslich adj. useful ber Rutiftrauch ("e or "er) useful ber Salm (-e) salmon shrub bie Sarbel'le (-n) anchovy ber Obftbaum ("e) fruit-tree bas Sängetier (-e) mammal der Ochs (-en) ox ichäblich adj. noxious ber Banther (-) panther, leopard bas Schaf (-e) sheep (not the American "panther") ichattig adj. shady ber Bapagei' (-en) parrot ber Schellfifd (-e) haddock ber Ba'vian (-e) baboon ber Schierling (-e) hemlock (not ber Pelitan' (-e) pelican the tree) ber Pelg (-e) fur die Schildfrote (-n) turtle, tortoise ber Pfan (-en) peacock ber Schimpan'fe (-n) chimpanzee bie Pfeffermin'ge peppermint ber Schlehenftrauch ("e or "er) sloetree, blackthorn bas Bierd (-e) horse die Schleier=Eule (-n) white owl bie Bferbeart (-en) horse kind ichmerzstillend adj. pain-relieving bie Pflauze (-n) plant ber Schneeballftranch ("e or "er) prächtig adj. splendid, magnificent guelder-rose, snowball-tree ber Buter (-) turkey ber Schnevfenftrauß (-e, also -en) ber Rabe (-11) raven apteryx bie Ratte (-n) rat ichon adj. beautiful ber Raubvogel (") bird of prey die Schwalbe (-n) swallow bas Rebhuhu ("er) partridge ber Edman ("e) swan bas Reh (-e) roe (very small deer) fdiwarz adj. black ber Reiher (-) heron ber Scehund (-e) seal reizend adj. charming ber Scevogel (") sea-bird bas Renntier (-e) reindeer ber Singvogel (") singing bird das Rhino'zeros (-fe) rhinoceros ber Specht (-e) woodpecker bie Ringeltanbe (-n) ring-dove, ber Sperling (-e) sparrow cushat ber Spinat' spinach ber Roggen rye ber Epinnenaffe (-n) spider-monkey die Roje (-n) rose bie Spitmans ("e) shrew rot adj. red

die Stachelbeere (-n) gooseberry stachelig adj. thorny, prickly ber Standungel (") sedentary bird, non-migratory bird ber Star (-e) starling ftart adj. strong ftattlith adj. goodly, handsome bas Stiefmütterchen (-) pansy ber Storch ("e) stork ber Strauß (-e, also -en) ostrich ber Sturmvogel (") stormy petrel ber Sumpfvogel (") marsh bird, wader, wading bird die Sprin'ge [do not sound the g] (-n) lilac (not our "syringa") ber Tag (-e) day die Tanne (-n) fir ber Ta'pir (-e) tapir bie Taube (-n) pigeon, dove bas Tier (-e) beast ber Tiger (-) tiger töblich adj. deadly die Tollfirsche (-n) belladonna, deadly nightshade der Truthahn ("e) turkey die Turtestanbe (-n) turtle-dove der Ilhu (-e) horned owl der Bielfraß (-e) glutton, wolverene ber Bogel (") bird ber Wachol'der (-) juniper wahr adj. true

der Waldbaum ("e) forest tree die Waldblume (-n) wood flower ber Waldmeister (-) sweet-scented woodruff bie Bald=Ohrenle (-n) eagle-owl ber Walfisch (-e) whale bas Waffer (-) water der Weihe (-n) kite ber Weißdorn (-en) hawthorn weitverbreitet adj. widely distributed ber Weizen wheat der Wiedehopf (-e) hoopoe ber Wiederfäuer (-) ruminant die Wiefelart (-en) weasel kind wild wild bas Windspiel (-e) greyhound der Wifent (-e) bison, aurochs (not the Auerochs of ancient and medieval Germany) wohlriechend sweet-smelling ber Wolf ("e) wolf ber Zaunkönig (-e) wren das Zebra (-8) zebra bie Biege (-n) goat zierlich adj. pretty der Zierstrauch ("e or "er) ornamental shrub ber Bobel (-) sable ber Zugvogel (") bird of passage, migratory bird

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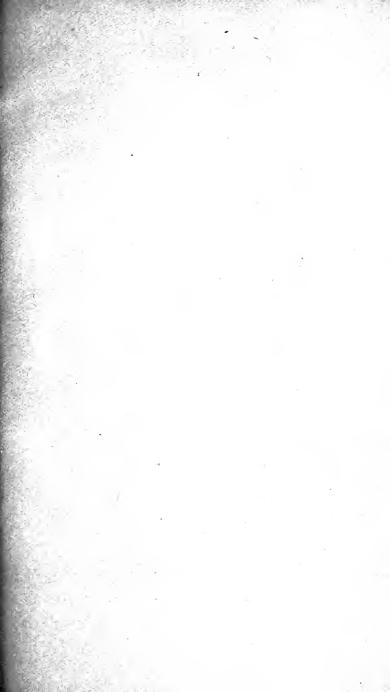
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